



DEFERRED DISPOSITION APPLICATION

Deferred Disposition is a suspended sentence. On your plea of guilty or no contest, the Judge will defer the finding of guilt until a later date, assess the applicable court cost and fees, and order you to comply with certain conditions. If you successfully comply with the terms, your case will be dismissed and the bond money will be applied to a special expense fee.

If you fail to comply with the conditions, a judgment will be imposed, a conviction will be reported to DPS and the bond money will be applied to the fine.

IN PERSON - You may request Deferred Disposition (suspended sentence) for any violation type at any time prior to your scheduled court appearance in the Annex courts. Please come prepared to present:

1. Your driver's license [you are not eligible if you hold a CDL (Commercial Driver's License)],
2. Current proof of insurance, and
3. Post a bond in the amount set by the Court. (may be paid with cash, credit card or personal check)

BY MAIL - You may apply to be considered for Deferred Disposition **by mail** by submitting the items listed below. The Judge will review your driving history and deferred disposition will only be granted at the discretion of the reviewing Judge.

Please mail form to: The City of Houston, Municipal Courts Department, P.O. Box 4996, Houston, TX 77210-4996.

1. Your driver's license (not a CDL),
2. Current proof of insurance, and
3. Payment of bond in the amount of:
 - \$195.00 – for each non-accident traffic case
 - \$200.00 – for each non-accident speeding – 15 miles or less than the posted speed limit
 - \$230.00 – for each non-accident speeding – 16 miles to 25 miles over the posted speed limit
 - \$230.00 – for each non-accident school zone case
 - \$255.00 – for each accident case;
4. This request form signed

You must make your request in person if you have been charged with any of the following types of offenses:
(Request by mail will not be accepted for the following)

- 26 miles or more over the posted speed limit *
- Any offense by a holder of CDL (Commercial Driver's License)
- Passing a school bus *
- No liability insurance *
- Any traffic violation that occurred in a construction zone with workers present
- Non-traffic cases *
- Juvenile cases (must appear in person with parent or guardian) *

* You may apply for Deferred Disposition for these offenses in person at the Annex Court or on your scheduled Court date and time- bring same items requested by mail (listed above) – bond amounts are set by the Court and may differ.

I wish to apply for deferred disposition. I give up my right to a jury trial and plead

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guilty

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no contest

Name – Signature

Date

Name - Printed

Address

City, State

Zip Code

Telephone No.

Citation Number

Specify the Violation for Deferred Disposition Request